

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAMS

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Manpower and Housing continued hearings on Federal workers' compensation programs. Testimony was heard from John C. Read, Employment Standards Administration, Department of Labor.

OSCEOLA NATIONAL FOREST PHOSPHATE LEASES

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining held a hearing on H.R. 1682, to terminate any phosphate leases issued pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of February 25, 1920, as amended, and rights to such leases within the Osceola National Forest and to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take action with respect to same. Testimony was heard from Rexford A. Resler, Assistant Chief, Forest Service; Chris Farrand, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Interior; and public witnesses.

SWINE FLU VACCINATION PROGRAM

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and the Environment held a hearing on the Swine Flu vaccination program with testimony from HEW and public witnesses.

AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held an oversight hearing on the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and heard testimony from AT&T officials.

RURAL HOUSING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights continued hearings on equal opportunity in rural housing. Testimony was heard from Frank B. Elliott, Administrator, Farmers Home Administration.

SPECIAL PROSECUTOR ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice held a hearing on H.R. 14476, Special Prosecutor Act of 1976, and related bills. Testimony was heard from Representative Harrington, Attorney General Edward H. Levi, and William B. Spann, Jr., president-elect, American Bar Association.

U.S. FLAG-MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Merchant Marine held a hearing on H.R. 14564, to provide for the regulation of rates or charges

by certain State-owned carriers in the foreign commerce of the United States. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEDERAL COUNCIL ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on DISPA continued hearings on the role of the Federal Council on Science, Engineering and Technology. Testimony was heard from David Z. Beckler, National Academy of Sciences; Dr. Charles V. Kidd, Association of American Universities; and Dr. Lawrence Goldmuntz, President, Economics and Science Planning.

LONG RANGE FINANCING

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on long-range financing of "decoupling" proposals. Testimony was heard from representatives of Chamber of Commerce of U.S.; National Council of Senior Citizens; National Association of Manufacturers; and American Association of Retired Persons/National Association of Retired Teachers. Hearings continue Monday, July 26.

Monday, July 26, 1976

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 23766-23803

Bills Introduced: One bill and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3700; and S. Res. 492-493.

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Measures Passed:

Virgin Islands Loan Fund: Senate agreed to S. Res. 488, waiving section 402(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to the consideration of H.R. 13359, to authorize loan funds for the Government of the Virgin Islands.

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Virgin Islands Loan Fund: Senate passed with committee amendment and returned to the House H.R. 13359, to authorize loan funds for the Government of the Virgin Islands.

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Private Bill: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for the White House H.R. 7685, a private relief bill.

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Crime Control: By 87 yeas to 2 nays, Senate passed S. 2212, authorizing funds through fiscal year 1981 for programs of the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, after agreeing to committee amendment in the

nature of a substitute to which had at first been amended by adoption of—

(1) Modified Morgan amendment No. 2060, authorizing \$10 million annually for three years to assist the States to establish antitrust enforcement facilities;

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(2) Morgan (for Bentsen) amendment No. 2054, to encourage use of Federal funding for early case assessment programs;

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(3) Roth amendment No. 2058, to encourage the development and operation of crime prevention programs in communities or neighborhoods;

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(4) Percy amendment No. 241, to remove supervisory DEA personnel from the Civil Service System, and increase to from Executive Level V to Executive Level IV position of Deputy Administrator for Administration, LEAA; and

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(5) By 81 yeas to 4 nays, Robert C. Byrd unprinted amendment No. 242, limiting the term of service of the FBI Director to one 10-year term, effective June 1, 1973.

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Pages 23803-23827, 23843-23849

Baltic Nations: Senate agreed to S. Res. 319, expressing the sense of the Senate that there has been no change in U.S. policy concerning the Baltic nations of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, regardless of U.S. signature to the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, signed in Helsinki.

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Messages From the House: One message was received from the House today.

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Amendments Submitted for Printing:

Pages 23769-23771

Clean Air: Senate began consideration of S. 3219, proposed Clean Air Act Amendments of 1976.

Pages 23827-23843, 23849-23866

Tax Reform: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 10612, proposed Tax Reform Act of 1976, taking action on amendments proposed thereto as follows:

Adopted:

(1) By 45 yeas to 42 nays, Kennedy unprinted amendment No. 243 (to title X, Changes in Treatment of Foreign Income), restoring House language making May 21, 1974, instead of May 29, 1974, effective date with respect to taxation of U.S. grantors of foreign trusts;

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(2) By 54 yeas to 34 nays, Packwood unprinted amendment No. 244 (to title X), retaining 30 percent tax on interest paid to foreigners, other than bank interest, and extending for three years, until December 31, 1979, exemption from tax for interest paid to foreigners by banks;

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(3) By 86 yeas to 1 nay, Committee amendment No. 20, embodying Title X, as amended;

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(4) Ribicoff unprinted amendment No. 245 (to title XII, Administrative Provisions) to allow the GAO to initiate audits of the Internal Revenue Service and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms;

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(5) Modified Stone amendment No. 1886 (to title XII,) to allow deferral of interest on errors when tax return is prepared for taxpayer by the Internal Revenue Service;

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Rejected: By 32 yeas to 50 nays, Haskell unprinted amendment No. 246 (to title XII), to maintain present law making taxpayers names public in cases where they receive private rulings from the Internal Revenue Service.

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Pending at adjournment was modified Kennedy amendment No. 1966, providing for judicial review of legality of Internal Revenue Service determinations and regulations.

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Pages 23849, 23866-23887

Packers and Stockyards Act: Senate insisted on its amendments to H.R. 8410, to assure livestock producers they will receive payments for the animals they send to packing plants, agreed to conference with the House and appointed as conferees Senators Talmadge, Huddleston, McGovern, Humphrey, Clark, Dole, Curtis, and Bellmon.

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Committee Authority To Sit: Committees on Public Works and Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs are authorized to sit during sessions of the Senate on specific days this week.

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Proxmire Suit: By unanimous consent, it was agreed that when Senate proceeds to consider S. Res. 463, authorizing payment of expenses incurred by Senator Proxmire in defending a civil action brought against him, debate thereon be limited to 30 minutes, with 30 minutes on an amendment which may be offered by Senator Buckley, and 10 minutes on any other amendment.

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Presidential Communication: Senate received a communication from the President transmitting a proposed amendment to the fiscal year 1977 budget in the amount of \$218,460 for the Legislative Branch—referred to Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed as S. Doc. 94-239.

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today (total—420).

Pages 23844, 23873-23874, 23880, 23881, 23886

Adjournment: Senate met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

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Committee Meetings

NOMINATION

Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of

Delio E. Gianturco, of Virginia, to be First Vice President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, after the nominee testified and answered questions on his own behalf.

ENERGY FINANCING

Committee on the Budget: Energy Task Force began hearings on the uses of Federal loan guarantees and similar financing incentives to encourage new energy development, receiving testimony from Barry Bosworth, The Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.; Stanley J. Lewand, Chase Manhattan Bank, New York City; J. Frank Cannon, Koppers Co., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Charles S. Arledge, Garrett Nuclear Corporation, Torrance, California.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MEDICARE/MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Health began hearings on S. 3205, to reform the administrative and reimbursement procedures in the medicare and medicaid programs, receiving testimony from David Mathews, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare; George Busbee, National Governors Conference; Richard S. Hodes, National Conference of State Legislatures; and Francis Francois, National Association of Counties, Washington, D.C.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS/MIDDLE EAST

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs held hearings on the subject "Prospects for Peace in the Middle East—the Conditions of a General Settlement," receiving testimony from Marver Bernstein, Brandeis University, Waltham, Mass.; Michael Curtis, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey; John C. Campbell, Council on Foreign Relations, New York City; and Edward R. F. Sheehan, Harvard Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, Cambridge.

Hearings were adjourned subject to call.

NATIONAL PARKS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Parks and Recreation held hearings on S. 3430, to improve the administration of, and to clarify authorities applicable to the National Park System, and on numerous bills extending boundaries and/or increasing funds for acquisition and/or development of various national historic sites, seashores, rivers, and parks (including H.R. 13713, S. 1510, 91, 2984, 2904, 2182, 3012, 3673, 1133, 3501, 2325, 3116, 3560, 3410, and 3373), receiving testimony from Representative Sikes, who directed his remarks to S. 2325, Gulf Island National Site, Fla.; and

Gary E. Everhardt, Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TOCKS ISLAND

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Water Resources resumed hearings on S. 3106, to terminate the authorization for the Tocks Island Reservoir project as part of the Delaware River Basin project, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and New York, receiving testimony from numerous public witnesses, including representatives of State and local government, conservation and environmental organizations, labor, and business.

Hearings were adjourned subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 14842-14862; 3 private bills, H.R. 14863-14865; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 1032, H. Con. Res. 688, and H. Res. 1422 were introduced.

Pages 23764-23765

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 1421, relative to the investigation of a complaint against Representative Robert L. F. Sikes (H. Rept. 94-1364);

H.R. 14566, to enable freestone peach growers to finance a nationally coordinated research and education program to improve their competitive position and expand their markets for peaches (the foregoing reports were filed Saturday, July 24) (H. Rept. 94-1365); and

H.R. 14071, Interstate Horseracing Act of 1976, amended (H. Rept. 94-1366).

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Subcommittees To Sit: Subcommittee on Environment and the Atmosphere of the Committee on Science and Technology received permission to sit Thursday, July 29, at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule; and

Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations of the Committee on the Judiciary received permission to sit during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule today.

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Pennsylvania Avenue Development: By a ye-and-nay vote of 225 yeas to 149 nays, the House passed H.R. 7743, to amend the Pennsylvania Avenue Development Corporation Act of 1972, as amended.

Rejected a motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Rejected a substitute to the committee amendment that sought to terminate the Pennsylvania Avenue Development Corporation in one year (rejected by a recorded vote of 121 ayes to 245 noes).

Subsequently, S. 1689, a similar Senate-passed bill, was passed in lieu after being amended to contain the language of the House bill as passed.

H. Res. 1341, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

Pages 23709-23724

Committees To Sit: Committee on Standards of Official Conduct received permission to sit today and the balance of the week during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule; and

Subcommittee on Government Information and Individual Rights of the Committee on Government Operations received permission to sit Tuesday, July 27, during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule.

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Agricultural Research: By a yea-and-nay vote of 373 yeas to 7 nays, the House passed H.R. 11743, to establish a National Agricultural Research Policy Committee.

Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute as amended by a technical amendment.

Pages 23724-23735

U.S.D.A. Executive Adjustments: By a yea-and-nay vote of 356 yeas to 18 nays, the House passed H.R. 10133, U.S. Department of Agriculture executive adjustments.

Agreed to: The first six committee amendments;

An amendment to committee amendment No. 8 that makes the level adjustment for the Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service effective upon enactment; and

The remaining committee amendments.

Rejected an amendment that sought to raise the position of Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service from GS-18 to Executive Level V (rejected by a recorded vote of 171 ayes to 207 noes).

Agreed to amend the title of the bill.

Pages 23735-23741

Bretton Woods Agreement: By a yea-and-nay vote of 346 yeas to 15 nays, the House agreed to H. Res. 1394, providing for the consideration of H.R. 13955, to provide for amendment of the Bretton Woods Agreements Act.

Pages 23741-23748

Late Report: Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce received permission to file a report by midnight Tuesday, July 27, on H.R. 12169, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1977 to carry out the functions of the Federal Energy Administration.

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Referrals: Two Senate-passed measures were referred to the appropriate House committees.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Committee Meetings

TIMBER MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Forests resumed markup of legislation dealing with timber management practices, and will continue tomorrow.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities met and approved for full committee action a new bill authorizing appropriations for military construction for fiscal year 1977.

ENERGY LOAN GUARANTEES

Committee on Banking, Currency and Housing: Subcommittee on Economic Stabilization held a hearing on the loan guarantee provisions of H.R. 14205, Omnibus Energy Conservation Act. Testimony was heard from a panel representing Department of Commerce, General Accounting Office, and Congressional Budget Office; and a panel representing Chase Manhattan Bank, and Thermo Electron Corporation.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on the Budget: Met for consideration of waiving sections of the Budget Act for H.R. 14070, Guaranteed Student Loan Program; and H.R. 8911, Supplemental Security Income Amendments.

PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ACT

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education held a hearing on H.R. 14818 and S. 972, Public Safety Officers Memorial Scholarship Act, with testimony from public witnesses.

ELECTION OF UNION OFFICERS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Labor-Management Relations held a hearing on H.R. 10779, election of union officers by weighted voting. Testimony was heard from Representative Butler; Bernard E. DeLury, Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

RADIOLOGICAL CONTAMINATION OF OCEANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Energy and the Environment held an oversight hearing on radiological contamination of the oceans. Testimony was heard from representatives of

State Department; EPA; ERDA; NOAA; International Institute for Environment and Development; and Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

PUERTO RICO-UNITED STATES COMPACT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs continued discussion of the proposed legislation regarding the Compact of Permanent Union Between Puerto Rico and the United States.

LOBBYING DISCLOSURE ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations met and approved for full committee action H.R. 15, Public Disclosure of Lobbying Act of 1975, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

COPYRIGHT LAW REVISION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, Civil Liberties and the Administration of Justice continued markup of H.R. 2223, Copyright Law revision, and will resume on Wednesday, July 28.

U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE HOSPITAL SYSTEM

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Resumed oversight hearings on the United States Public Health Service hospital system. Testimony was received from Earl Clark and Talmage Simpkins, Labor-Management Maritime Committee, AFL-CIO; James J. Reynolds, American Institute of Merchant Shipping; and Robert V. Nolan, Fleet Reserve Association.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Postal Facilities, Mail, and Labor Management continued hearings on labor-management problems with testimony from representatives of U.S. Postal Service.

INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE REPORT LEAK

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Continued hearings on the unauthorized publication of the report of the Select Committee on Intelligence. Testimony was heard from Representative Giaimo; Roscoe B. Starek III, former Intelligence Committee investigator; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

LONG-RANGE FINANCING

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security continued hearings on long range financing of "decoupling" proposals. Testimony was heard from representatives of American Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO; American Council of Life Insur-

ance; New York Chamber of Commerce and Industry; and former Member of Congress Hastings Keith.

Hearings were adjourned subject to call.

ALCOHOLIC AND DRUG ADDICT ASSISTANCE UNDER SSI

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on administration of supplemental security income alcoholic and drug addict assistance program. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME AMENDMENT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Public Assistance met for markup of Keys' amendment to H.R. 8911, Supplemental Security Income Amendments of 1975.

Joint Committee Meetings

LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 327, increasing annual authorizations for the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and establishing a National Historic Preservation Fund.

D.C. GOVERNMENT AUDIT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 11009, providing an independent audit of D.C. Government finances.

FEA EXTENSION

Conferees continued to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 12169, extending the Federal Energy Administration until September 30, 1977, but did not reach final agreement thereon and will meet again tomorrow.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 23923-23948

Bills Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3701-3703; and S. Res. 494.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 494, waiving section 402(a) of the Budget Act with respect to Senate consideration of H.R. 10339,